BECAUSE COAL IS DEAR.

Winter Will Be as Bad as the Last-

e makes millions tremble at his nod.

through this senson, was sent to canvass the

They are to be found all along the cast and

west sides of the city, and the reporter started

There are many big coal wharves in the

vicinity, but almost every grocery store has

wooden box on the sidewalk filled with

coal for sale in small quantities to the tene-

The first store visited was that of Mr. Pat-

rick J. McAndrews, at 621 First avenue. Mr.

McAndrews, a well-preserved man of fifty

years, was selling a poor woman a pailful of

'She will carry that three blocks and then

ors.

"They raised the price," he said, "and gave us an inferior quality while we could get any, and now they tell us we must go elsewhere till the trouble is over. The worst of

835 First avenue, was disposed to

at Twenty-third street and First avenue, go-

directly in contact with the consumer.

coal can be got at a fair price.

ing northward.

nent-house population.

coal as the reporter approached.

PRICE ONE CENT.

EVENING EDITION.

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1887.

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STIR IN THE CIVIL SERVICE.

DISCUSSING GOV. HILL'S ACT IN APPOINT-ING A NEW STATE COMMISSION.

approval Expressed of the New Officials Radical Reformers Disturbed by a Sus. picion of Politics-The Changes Said to Have Been Dictated by a Desire to Have

The Municipal Civil-Service Commissioner do not desire to say anything regarding Gov. Hill's removal of the Civil-Service Commisgioners of the State and the appointment of

a Board in Sympathy with Him.

The Municipal Commissioners think it would be improper to express views on the 19: action of the Governor, as it does not affect

the City Board. The removal of Commissioners John Jay and Henry A. Richmond by Gov. Hill has

created much commotion among the Civil-Service reformers, some of whom insinuate that Gov. Hilf's act was a political one.

The removed Commissioners were appointed by President Cleveland while he was Governor. The friends of Gov. Hill approve the removal.

They say that Mr. Jay and Mr. Richmond were not in political exprashly with the Gov.

They say that Mr. Jay and Mr. Richmond were not in political sympathy with the Governor and construed the civil-service laws of the State to suit themselves and radical civil-service reformers; also that Gov. Hill desired to have men'in charge of the Civil-Service Board of the State who were in sympathy with him and his administration, and who would use practical methods in the examinations for appointments. There is no fault found with Gov. Hill's appointments of Civil-Service Commissioners to succeed Messrs, John Jay and Henry A. Richmond, removed, and Augustus Schoonmaker, who resigned some time ago to become an Interstate Railroad Commissioner.

The new Commissioners are Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, James H. Manning, son of the late Daniel Manning, and George H. Tread well. The last is a well-known Republican of Albany County and a prominent G. A. R.

man.

The Republican Senators may refuse to confirm the new Commissioners. If they do so the State will be without a Board to carry out the Civil-Service law.

There is a question whether the Governor the power to appoint the Commissions.

has not the power to appoint the Commis-sioners without consulting the Senators if the appointments are made while the Legis-lature is not in regular session.

WINE EOXES AND WRAPPING PAPERS.

New Additions to the Record Concerning Dr. Bull's Habits and More Coming.

Counsellor Dupignac, representing "Dr Bull, and Lawyer York, on behalf of the docor's daughters, appeared before Judge Lawtence to-day to submit papers for and against the rehabilitation of Dr. Bull.

Mr. York brought in a large portrait of Dr. Mr. York brought in a large portrait of Dr. Bull's daughters when children, about two lozen wine boxes and an immense bundle of papers that had been used for wrapping the physician's purchases.

There was a lively discussion upon the question of presenting the evidence used in all the previous hearings.

Judge Lawrence finally gave Mr. Dupignac two weeks to put in more affidavits, and Mr. York was allowed three weeks in which to topply.

Honor?" asked Mr. York.
"I don't know," said the Judge.
Then York's man gathered up the parcels, and the lawyers left the court-room.

WILL IT BE JUDGE DONOHUE? A Rumor that Gov. Hill is Thinking of Ap-

pointing Him to the Court of Appenis. It is rumored around the New Court-House

of Appeals to fill the vacants
death of Judge Rapallo.

If Judge Donohue does not get the appointment he will join the law firm of Newcombe & Cardoza, and the style of the firm
ill be Donohue, Newcombe & Cardoza,

Musicians Make a Good Suggestion. The members of the old Board of Directors the Musical Mutual Protective Union gave a recep tion to the members of the new Board at 64 Ea tion to the members of the new Board at 64 East Fourth street yesterday afternoon. It was sug-gested that a home for aged and infirm musicians and the widows and orphans of members of the nulon de establish. A concert by a large orchestra was suggested as a good way in which to start the movement. overnent. The old and new Boards thanked THE WOBLD for e help that it had given them,

All for a Friend. John O'Donnell, of 329 East Fourteenth street stepped up to a friend who was recklessly firing revolver in that street last night and took the weapon from him. Just then a policeman appeared and arrested O'Donnell. In vain did the latter protest that it was not his revolver, and he was held for trial at Essex Market Court this morning.

'All for a friend," said O'Donnell as he was led into the prison.

Smashing Car Windows With a Stick While drunk last night Patrick Quinn, of 569 West Sixtiela street, broke a dozen or more win dows in an elevated railroad car at Fifty-ninth dows in an elevated railroad car at Fitty-initia street and Ninth avenue, using a heavy stick for the purpose. Quinn was arrested. In the York-ville Court, this morning, Justice Murray sent him to the island for aix mouths in default of ball to keep the peace.

Tips from "The World's" Ticker. Chleago speculators are still bearish on the

The London market opened irregular and generally at fractional advances.

The prevailing impression in the street is that here will be no increase in the Vanderbilt divi-

At the Stock Exchange prices opened at a decline of 15 to 15, with a very tame business. A holiday market is looked for.

The general feeling in Wall street to-day is that the effort to cause a general strike on the Reading will prove a failure.

Local commission houses did not have a very merry Christmas, and their chances of a happy New Year are not particularly brilliant.

Dosnite the dulness in speculation and the bear-tainess of the floating news the majority of traders are inclined to buillab views on the market.

The rumor that Henry S. Ives has obtained con trol of the C., H. & D. again is not credited down town. Ives will not affirm or deny the report. The Wabasa second mortgage bondholders have got their dander up and mean to foreclose. Clar-ence A. Seward is taking care of the legal end of the fight.

There is a strong probability that still lower rates will be made after the 1st of Jahuary by the war-ring railroads in the West, and stockholders are be-wailing a prospective loss of dividends.

The revival of the rumors of the saie of the Ohio Valley Railroad to the Louisville and Nashville is based on the recent inspection of tag former road by a company of officials from the latter company. Among the more prominent speculaiors who have openly proclaimed themselves to be buils are W. F. Connor, J. M. Seymour, R. P. Flower, John Bloodgood, John D. Slayhack, S. V. White, I. & S. Wormser, Russell Sage, Jemes B. Bonston and W. W. Pearsell.

STRONG, HEALTHY AND PENNILESS. Pwenty-two Halt-Frozen Men Committed to

the Workhouse. Twenty-two strong, healthy men who are penniless and out of work applied to Justice Solon B. Smith, at the Essex Market Police Court, this morning to be committed to the Workhouse for the winter.

They were almost frozen when they applied for shelter at the Eldridge street police sta-

for shelter at the Eldridge street police station last night. This morning Capt. Allaire directed Policeman Waehner to arraign them at Essex Market.

There was only one American in the lot, and not one of them was a citizen. Many of them were young men who had been probably led astray by evil companions.

The names and ages of the youngest are John Fisher, 19; Robert Kennedy, 18; John Webber, 20; John Brendel, 20; John Stahl, 19; Frank Mallah, 19; Philip Hoffman, 20.

A young man who gave his name as John Reilly had a German countenance.

"Is that your right name, John Reilly?" asked Justice Smith.

"Yes, sir," was the reply.

"How long have you been in this country?"

"Where do you come from?"

"Germany."
"I thought so," remarked the Justice. He committed them all to the care of the Commissioners of Charities and Corrections.

CLERK M'GOWAN'S WAY.

Husbands and Wives Reconciled by Being Left to Themselves.

John McGowan, who is one of the brightest clerks in the police courts, has a way of his own to reconcile an estranged husband and

This morning a young couple named John and Ellen Malony were before him at the Tombs, the husband a prisoner for abandonment.

"Sit over there with your wife and talk it ver," Mr. McGowan said to him.

"What's the use." growled the husband "We ain't suited for each'other, anyhow,
She has a terrible temper."

"You haven't," ejaculated the wife.
"You're an angel, ain't you?" and the next
thing she did was to sob violently.

Much against his will the husband sat
down beside his wife, and the two remained

down beside his wife, and the two remained for some time in silence.

"Don't let them see you watching them," said the clerk. "When they think they are not noticed they will begin to talk."

Sure enough, when the eyes of the bystanders were not directed upon them, they began an animated conversation.

Half an hour later the couple stood once more before the clerk. Both wore smiling faces. They had made up their first quarrel, and left the Courtroom arm in arm.

HIS HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY.

Thomas Ford, of Clifton, Bright, Cheerful and Alert-His Wonderful Memory.

Thomas Ford, of Clifton, Staton Island, celebrated his one hundredth birthday on Tuesday. The old gentleman is very well known in Clifton, where he has a great many friends. He is in full possession of all his faculties, and talks with remarkable co-

herency.

One of his friends who came to congratulate him on Tuesday declared afterwards that Mr. Ford looked as though he would live ten years longer. The old gentleman is a very good story teller. He remembers the rebellion of '98 distinctly and is very fond of alluding to that fact. He is one of Parnell's most devoted admirers, and likes to discuss the Irish leader's policy.

Attaching Property for Debt.

The property in this State of Payne, Steck & Co., the firm that assigned yesterday, has been attached in two suits by Judge Lawrence, of the Suto day that Gov. Hill is thinking of appointing Judge Donohue a member of the Court of Appeals to flit the yearney caused by the manufacturers of jewelry, of Providence, R. I., are seeking to recover \$908 for merchandise. These goods were sold upon the representation that the

goods were sold upon the representation that the defendant was solvent.

Another attachment has been issued against the property here of Hayne & Rogers, of New Orleans, La., at the instance of Theodore Surges, who has a claim of \$2,000, the value of a promissory note.

A Head Martin Engle Wants to Break. Martin Engle, the Essex Market poultry dealer, looking for a thief. His seven year-old son, Eddie, was playing in front of the market yester-day, when a young man tapped him on the shoulder isaid:
'Sonny, your father has just bought you occipede. It's waiting for you around t

Gorner."

He also said he would hold the boy's coat, and of course absconded with it.

"I'd willingly pay a \$50 fine for a chance to break that fellow's head," said Eddie's father when he reported the case to the police.

A Mount Vernon Saloon on Fire. An alarm of fire was sounded at 4 o'clock this

morning in Mount Vernon. The premises of Louis Haganan, a salon-keeper on the corner of Third atreet and Franklin avenue, was discovered to be on fire. The Fire Department responded with alacting also a soon extinguished the fames that threatened to consume the building. The fire originated in the basement from the heater. The damage was about \$500, covered by insurance.

Stole a Lot of Lead Pipe. In the Vorkville Police Court this morning on complaint of Frederick S. Meyer, of 421 West Twenty-second street, Andrew McCradden, twenty-four years old, of Ninety-sixth street and Second avenue, was held in \$1.000 bull to answer for breaking into the new tenement-house 203 East Ninety-ninth street Dec. 17 and stealing lead pipe valued at \$45.

Coul Famine at Louisville.

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]
LOUISVILLE, Dec. 30.—The coal famine here is ecoming alarming. Navigation has been susended and no coal can be obtained by way of the ver. The feet at Pittsburg is ice-bound. There a great deal of suffering among the poorer asses, and all the papers are appealing to the ore fortunate for aid.

Mellro and Dowmes Matched at Pool. An interesting match game of pool is to be blayed on Jan. 16 at Koster & Bial's, Twentyfourth a rect and Sixth avenue. The contestants will be Frank A. Meiiro, formerly of the White Elephant, and Albert W. Downes, of Maurice Daly's. The series will be the best twenty-one out of forty, pyramid pool, for a stake of \$250. A forest of \$50 is up.

Brooklyn News at a Glance

James Hatton, aged sixty years, while at work on the wharf at the loot of Congress street, Brock-iyn, this morning, became unconscious from the effects of the cold weather. He was removed to his home.

he benefit of it

sent in by 10 A. M.

THE WORLD will print to-morrow evening the

names of ladies receiving New Year's calls, if

the benefit of it."

Mr. Patrick Heaney, of 235 East Forty-fifth street, said there ought to be some regulation made by the city as to the weighing of coal.

"They pretend to weigh it at the yards," he said, "but we don't know whether the scales are right or if the cart weighs as much as they say it does. This is a matter that concerns every one, and something ought to be done about it." his home.

Early this morning Sing Long, a Chinaman, while standing in front of his handry at 141 Johnson areane, Brooklyn, was knocked down and struck on the head with a club by two unknown men, who made their escape.

The rooms of George Townsend, Godfrey Gilbert and Catharine Gilbert, in the three-story boardinghouse 163 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn, were entered by means of false seys and ciothing and jewelry aggregating \$160 stolen. The police are satisfied that the robbery is the work of a man who had a furnished room in the house.

WORDS FROM THE PEOPLE STARK NAKED IN THE STREET,

Michael Cannon's Cold Walk in Bleecker Street This Morning. THOUSANDS IN THE CITY WHO SUFFER

The police of the Mercer street squad had few minutes after 8 o'clock a patrolman found Michael Cannon, thirty-one years old. Small Dealers in the Poorer Districts Sell of 80 Wooster street, wandering in Bleecker with Little Profit, but the Coal Barons Show No Mercy-Fears that the Coming street without a stitch of clothing. He was insane from drink.

Short Weight and Higher Prices Aiready. The patrolman got some wraps, and throwing them around the man, hurried him to the King Coal is a despotic monarch in the station, whence he was transferred to Belle vue Hospital. winter-time, and in such cold spells as this

No. 80 Wooster street is a cheap lodging. No. 80 Wooster street is a cheap lodginghouse. Cannon went there yesterday in an
intoxicated condition, and was suffering from
delirium all night. This morning he partly
clothed himself, wrapped a coverlet about
him and stated out. He went into some hallway and there undressed himself, and then
with the bed-cover flapping about him,
started for a walk.

The policeman found him at South Fifth
avenue and Bleecker street, the centre of an
interested group of small boys. He was
chilled through and could not articulate
when asked where he lived. By the time
that he reached the station he was almost unconscious from the cold. The coal barons who defy the miners in he Lebigh Valley and the Reading district, profess to wait with equanimity for the strike come to an end, but in many a densely populated quarter of this city are thousands whose homes must be cold and cheerless till

A Wonlo reporter, who had just been interviewing some big coal firms who said there was no scarcity, that coal was plentiful and cheap and that it would continue to be so all that he reached the station he was almost un-conscious from the cold.

How he managed to walk from the neigh-berhood to the place where he was found without being arrested is a question which the police have not yet answered. views of the smaller dealers, who are brought

POPE LEO'S JUBILEE.

Catholics All Over the World Awalting Next Weck's Ceremonials at Rome.

Roman Catholics all over the world are interested in the jubilee of Pope Leo, the celebration of which will begin with the new year, and which is attracting an enormous number of tourists to Rome. The jubilee will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of Pope Leo's ordination as a priest of the Roman Catholie Church.

The gifts, addresses and memorials which "She will carry that three blocks and then up four steep flights of stairs," said he when his customer trudged away. "I sell it to her at 12 cents a pailful, which is about the price I pay for it myself. I don't make any profit on it, but keep it, like sugar and soap, as an accommodation to my customers. I pay \$6 a ton at the yard, and it's hard to get anyhow. Of course, it's not the best coal. Tha,dealers palm off on us the inferior grades, and instead of 2,240, or even 2,000, pounds to the ton they seldom give us more than 1,900."

Mr. Charles Sethmann, at 321 East Twenty-sixth street, complained that since the beginning of the Lehigh strike he had been unable to get enough coal to supply his customers. are at present pouring in from all Christian lands will all be exhibited at the Vatican. Elaborate preparations are at present under way to make this exhibition a memorable fea-

way to make this exhibition a memoranic rea-ture of the jubilee.

Inquiries come to Rome daily from all parts of Europe, for particulars as to the programme of the ceremonial, for the exact order of events was not arranged until very late. The "faithful" will be entertained by the Mandemori at the various monasteries. late. The "faithful" will be entered the Monsignori at the various monasteries, the Monsignori at the various monasteries. A number of prominent Americans are ex

pected to be present, including James G. Blaine, Miss Gail Hamilton Dodge and Jay Gould. There will be delegates from all the Catholic countries in the world.

CITY COURT CHANGES.

Humor that Commissioner Croker's Frien-Will Succeed Chief Clerk Reid. There is a rumor around the City Hall that

everal changes are to be made in the clerical force of the City Court, formerly the Marine Henry P. McGown and William P. Pitschke, both Democrats, ate to supplant Judges Hyatt and Hall, Republicans, on

where till the trouble is over. The worst of it is that our customers expect us to keep everything, and if they can't get coal here they go to our rivals for everything else in the way of provisions."

"The coal famine of last year spoiled the retail trade in coal," said Mr. Martin Knoop, of 681 First avenue. "I notice that lots of my customers who had to pay \$9 a ton last winter have managed this year to save up a little money and buy it by the ton in advance of the cold weather. There are more coal peddlers this year, too. Lots of the men who were put off digging up the streets by Gen. Newton's order have gone into that business and they have cut us out. They deliver the coal to the top floor if necessary, and they have formed an organization by which they get the coal direct from the collieries." Jan. 1, and then all six Judges of the Court will be Democrats. It is believed that a new combination on patronage will be made.

It is said that John Reid, the Chief Clerk of the Court, with a salary of \$3,000 a year, is in danger of removal. If reports are true, Michael Daly, a prominent Tammanyite of the Eighteenth Assembly District, and a warm personal and political friend of Commissioner Richard Croker, is to get the

place.
Mr. Reid is a follower of the Wigwam and was appointed to office by Mr. John Kelly, but he has no leader behind him now.

which they get the coal direct from the cof-lieries."

Said Mrs. Charlotte Roche, of 338 East Twenty-fourth street: "The people who think the small dealers get the most profit on coal make a big mistake. The people at the yards charge us what they like. No matter how high the price is we cannot get more than 13 cents for a pailful, and when the price goes up to \$6.25 a ton, like it is now, we lose money. The railroads and the collieries have all the say in the matter."

Mr. Henry Grube, who keeps a grocery store next to his brother Frederick's barber shop, at 835 First avenue, was disposed to STARTED BY A STOVE IN THE CELLAR. Heavy Losses by Fire Last Night in a

shop, at 835 First avenue, was disposed to blaine the big stores for taking away busi-ness. "Our trade has fallen off 75 per cent, in the last few years," he said. "I have to sell coal to keep my customers, and I can't get a profit on it in these times. The box blocks up the sidewalk and prevents people from seeing the goods in my store window. I used to do a good trade in toys, but now It was ascertained this morning that considerable damage was done by last night's ire at 632 Broadway.

S. Feimer & Feldstein, dealers in French lowers and feathers, who occupied the rear of the first floor, fronting on Crosby street, lost \$15,000. M. Samuels estimates the damage to his stock of hats at \$10,000, and B. Levy, handkerchiefs, \$5,000. William H. Hart, also on the second floor, lost \$3,000. Max Bernstein's loss to his clothing stock was occasioned by specke and was triffic. I used to do a good trade in toys, but now the schools give away heaps of toys at Christmas and spoil my trade. If it wasn't for the candy that I sell I couldn't make a living."

"How do the poor people get enough coal this weather?" repeated Mr. William Owens, of 322 East Thirty-first street. "Well, I'm sure I don't know. The fact is they don't burn any more in such weather as this than they do when its warmer. They have just so much money to lay out on the house and they can't get any more. Sometimes we give Max Bernstein's loss to his clothing stock was occasioned by smoke, and was trifling. It was discovered that the fire was started on the cellar floor by some coals from a stove which had been kept alight all night.

Not as Good a Man as "Sully." Luther Pollard, who gave his age as twenty-on years in the Jefferson Market Police Court this morning, said that he was a lumber merchant from Boston, Mass. He came to New York yesterday

much money to lay out on the house and they can't get any more. Sometimes we give credit of course, but credit don't save them any money. There ought to be a fixed price for coal all the year round instead of the monopolists raising the price when the poor people want it most."

Mr. Edward Kennedy, who keeps a busy store at 346 East Forty-sixth street, said: "I don't believe the strikes make any difference in the price of coal. We put you the price of the price of coal. We put you the price of the price of coal. to see the sights and take in New Year's Day. At It o'clock last night be entered the Casino Cafe and proceeded to "do the place up red," when Policeman Herikeh, of the Nincteenth Precinct, was called in. Luther told the policeman that unleas he was as good a man as "Suily" he had a hard contract on hand. Herikeh landed the young man in the police station without difficulty.

"What are you, an actor?" asked Justice Doffy. don't believe the strikes make any difference in the price of coal. We put up the price anyhow this time of the year, strike or no strike. There's no reason to the mind of a plain man why Lykens Valley should be dearer because the Lehigh men have quit work, but it is, and from all I see it will go higher yet. If the Government owned the railways I think it would bring about fair prices." Duffy. ... No. I'm a lumber merchant from Boston," said the young man.
"You dress like an actor," returned His Honor.
"Can't I dress as I like?" retorted the youth is

reply.

"I did not want to criticise your dress—you are fined \$10," remarked the Justice. The youth drew out his waitet and paid up.

railways I think it would bring about fair prices."

Mr. Henry Assenbeck, of 745 First avenue, said the wholesale dealers had raised the price from \$5.25 to \$6 within the past two weeks, but he thought it couldn't go any higher just yet. "The only thing they can do is to give us short weight, and they are up to that trick. They know we have no means of weighing the coal ourselves."

Mrs. Ellen Baraley, of 323 East Thirty-fourth street, said: "I do quite a business in bags and by the pailful. I get the coal from the yard at half a ton and a ton at a time, and it costs me, with the cartage, \$7 a ton. Lots of people who you would think would be able to lay a stock in their cellars have to buy it in small quantities every day or two because it's so dear. They are more economical with it in that way. Besides they get credit for a week or two."

Said Mr. Frederick Stork, of 840 First An Alabama Train Runs Into a Land Slide ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] LIVINGSTON, Ala., Dec. 30. -The limited express, the fastest train on the Alabama Great Southern Ratiroad, ran into a laud silde near here Southern Rainroad, ran into a land since dear nere yesterday and two passenger coaches were derailed and overturned. Sixteen persons were injured, some of them seriously. A freight train was also ran into the since and several cars demoished. The track will not be clear until this afternoon.

She Will Not Sit in His Lap Again. Paul Beherus, a spirit rectifier, of 16 Prince street, was in the liquor saloon at 58 South Washget credit for a week or two."
Said Mr. Frederick Stork, of 840 First avenue: "I see by the papers that the strikes are being settled, but prices are rising just ngton square on Christmas Eve, and a young woman named Lizzie Williams sat in his lap. After the young woman had srisen and gone away Paul massed \$25 from his inside pocket. It was not until last night that Lizue was caught. At the Jefferson Market Court this morning she was held for trial. the same. The worst winter months have yet to come, and already coal is 50 cents a ton higher than it ever used to be. They tell me the mines were never so productive as they have been this year, but the people don't get

Flames in Samuel Babcook's greenhouse on Bett-ner's Lane, in River street, did \$75 damage last night. Condensed City News.

Thomas Shepard, forty-seven years old, of 98 8xth avenue, fell from a laider at 270 West Pit-eenth street, this morning and injured his right up. He was taken to the New York Hospital. Angust Marchald, sixty years old, of 110 East orty-first street, a coachman, fell on the ice in ront of 186 East Forty-first street this morning and troke his ankle. He was taken to Bellevue Hos-

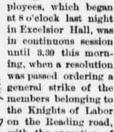
"Twill surely profit you to know, What every chewer's praises show, That "VIRGIN LEAP" is all the go.

a remarkable prisoner this morning. At a Result of the Convention of Reading Employees.

> Miners and Passenger-Service Men Not Called Out.

After a Long Discussion the Lenders at Reading Passed a Resolution at 3,30 O'Cleck This Morning Ordering a General Strike -It is Said That the Men Were Expected to Go Out at Noon To-Day-Trains Moving as Usual on Many of the Branch Ronds-President Corbin is Now on the Scene of Action-The Company Has Nothing to Say-Everything Quiet.

READING, Dec. 30.—The convention of Philadelphia and Reading Railroad em-



on the Reading road, 10-1 with the exception of engineers and other passenger employees. Street-crossing men,

signal-tower men, flagmen and track walkers are also excepted. The question of a miners' strike was vigorously discussed, but action was deferred until

after Jan. 1. Chairman John L. Lee's dealings with the company were heartily indorsed, while the alleged duplicity of certain Reading officials

JOHN L. LEE.

was vigorously denounced. Just before an adjournment was reached the convention decided to offer a reward of \$2,000 to be paid by the Executive Committee for evidence which shall convict any striker of injuring the company's property.

The time for the strike was fixed for noon

LATER.-It is now stated that the men will not be asked to go out until the miners have had a chance to confer with Supt. Whiting. Reports received here state that the order to strike has not been obeyed on the Colebrookdale branch and that all trains are running as usual.

Advices also state that the order to strike has had no effect so far on the North Pennsylvania and Perkiomen branches. At Elizabethport, N. J., the company flavo out non-union men at work. It is under-

stood that 150 men arrived on the steamer D. R. Martin this morning to take the places of the strikers. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30 .- The action of the

Reading employees' convention at Reading last night has apparently had little effect this morning in this city. Traffic has been but little interrupted on the Reading lines and work is proceeding at Port Richmond and the other stations here much as usual. At the general offices both General Man-

ager McLeod and General Supt. Sweigard factorily and that they do not anticipate any trouble as a result of the order for a general strike issued at Reading early this morning. President Corbin came over from New York this morning to attend the last meeting of the receivership, which by order of the Court oc-curs at midnight to-morrow.

Austin Corbin. President of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, went to Philadelphia last evening. He is now on the scene of action of the trouble with the em-ployees of the road. Vice-President Maxwell received a special

despatch this morning saying that the convention of miners and railroad men at Reading in its all-night session last night had resolved to renew the strike of the railway employees, but he declined to make any com-

resolved to renew the strike of the railway employees, but he declined to make any comments to a Wond reporter.

"The situation seems to be this," said Editor Saward, of the Coal Trade Journal.

"The strikers never gain anything when they strike against a wealthy employer and they have learned the lesson. They select some employer who is not able to stand a fight and he is compelled to do that which he cannot afford or go to the wall.

"It was so with Reading. The road was down or the men could never have got the concessions made. The road could not afford it, but was obliged to come down in order to carry out its financial agreements. Now Mr. Corbin has got the road on its feet, and he is ready to fight, or in other words, to manage the property himself.

"I have seen in my time strikes and labor troubles force the mining business of the Scranton and Lehigh regions out of the hands of individuals and small corporations into combinations and powerful corporations

into combinations and powerful corporations which can stand a fight with the men.

which can stand a fight with the men.

"The Schuylkill region is the last to remain in the hands of individual miners, but these strikes will force them to unite, and combination prices will follow.

"At present only about one half the miners are at work, a scarcity of cars forcing the rest into idleness. In the Lehigh region 14,000 men are on strike, and there is only a very little work going on—just enough to say that the mines are in operation.

"This strike began Sept. 6, when a demand for c raise of 15 per cent, was made. The Le-

This strike began cept, was made. The Le-high people resisted. Reading conveded 8 per cent, and the men went to work. But Reading was weak then. It is strong enough to stand alone now, and this is the slackest season of the year.
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"For three months, beginning Dec. 1, there is almost nothing done from necessity. That is why the wholesale coal men are so apathetic regarding the present trouble.

"The 8 per cent. concession was to continue until Jan. 1, and then, Mr. Corbin said, the Reading would be governed by the action of the Lehigh people. It could not afford to pay more than the latter. That is unquestionably true, and Lehigh has peremptorily refused to concede a penny.

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'The Reading employees spoiled their cause by the break at Port Richmond. The order of the Knights of Labor leaders for a strike was only partly obeyed, and they saw their error too late. They tried to fix matters and get in shape to wait until next Tues-

HUSTED TURNS UP WINKING.

DECLARING THAT HE HAS NO INTENTION OF GETTING OUT OF THE RACE.

According to Him His Fight Has Not Yet Been Begun-Young Mr. Cole Suggests That the Bald Engle May Nominate Him - Sheridan Shook's Commissary Shop Bent on Revenge-Rural Assemblymen on Hand.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] ALBANY, Dec. 30. -The great and only James W. Husted, of Westchester, was as chipper as ever this morning when he had finished his breakfast at the Delavan House. He walked around the corridor, and entering his parlor headquarters, saw that ex-Senator Pitts, of Orleans, and Assembly. man Grippen, of Saratoga, had taken posses-

sion of the room. 'Anybody been here?" asked the General

as he glanced around. "Too early yet," replied ex-Senator Pitts, but I expect some of our friends from the western part of the State on the next train."

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"See here, Pitts," exclaimed Husted, and for fifteen minutes the man who wants to be Speaker for the sixth time and the ex-Senator held a conference near the windows.

At 10 o'clock The World correspondent had a few moments' chat with the wily bird from the heights of Peekskill.

"Who said I intended to withdraw from the race?" ejaculated Husted. "I am here and these are my headquarters.

"Does that look as if I had quit so early in the contest? Why, my dear fellow, you ought to know me by this time—(winking his left eye.) How many members have arrived? Not half a dozen.

"Wait till more of the members arrive before you write up anything about the fight.

"I saw young Cole at breakfast. He was seated at a table with young Hamilton and young Crosby. Of course he expects to be elected. He thinks he will have a walk over.

"His friends have circulated a story that I will get out of the fight before to-morrow night.

"Why, my dear fellow, I have not begun my fight yet, while young Cole has been electioneering ever since the day he was nomismated."

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Mr. Fremont Cole, the youthful Schuyler statesman, has the largest crowd of early ar-rivals and his headquarters are thronged this Hamilton and Crosby are enlisted in his cause and are ready to pounce upon the rural Assemblymen as soon as they register.

Young Cole smiles when told of Husted's

boasts.
"If I am not very much mistaken," he said to-day, "Gen. Husted will make the speech in the caucus nominating me for Speaker."
Sheridan Shook is here. His parlors look like a commissary shop. They are stocked with liquors and cigars from the Morton

House.
Shook is solid for Cole. Last year Shook helped to elect Husted and Husted promised to work and vote for Morton for Senstor.
Husted went over to Miller. Shook is now

having his revenge.
It is said that Cole will receive the support of the Republican Assemblymen from New York, Kings, Richmond and Suffolk coun-

This will amount to nine solid votes. DUGAN KNOCKED OUT BY HARDING.

Game Prize Fight Which Took : Pla Near Troy This Morning.

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD. TROY, Dec. 30. -Con Dugan, of Brooklyn. as knocked out by Jack Harding, of Philalelphia, in a twenty-round fight, which took

place near here early this morning. It was a desperate battle until the fifteenth round, when Dugan was twice felled by Harding's terrific blows. This round turned the tide of the fight and Harding took advan-tage of his opponent's condition and ham-mered him right and left.

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Dugan struggled gamely, however, and succeeded in getting some pretty good work on Harding's face.

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In the twentieth and last round the Brook-lyn man was caught under the chin by a right-hander and went down in a heap. His seconds were unable to bring him up within the prescribed ten seconds, and the fight, which had lasted one hour and nineteen minutes, was awarded to Harding.

Both men were horribly battered and the fifty spectators pronounced it one of the hardest ring contests which has ever taken

He Avoided Disgrace by Suicides

lace in this vicinity.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 30. -Dr. Oscar Samosta, a truggist here, discovered this morning that B. C. Healbig, one of his trusted bookkeepers, a very popular young man, aged nineteen, was an em-bezzler in the sum of \$300. The discovery was made known to the young man, who excused him-self for a few minutes and took fitteen grains of strychnine. He was discovered a few minutes afterwards having convulsions, and in fitteen min-ntes was dead.

Events To-Night. Ball of the Young Ivy Pleasure Club, Webster Hall. Ball of the Original Americus Club, Walhalla

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS IN BRIEF. Mr. Gladstone was received by President Carnot yesterday, and left Paris last night for Florence,

J. W. Jackson, eighty-seven years of also and one of the pioneers of Chicago, was married last night to Mrs. Sarah Golden. The bride is a grand-

mother.

Katle Fenton, a pretty young woman, of Andover. N. H., committed suicide in Leominster, Mass., yeaterday. It is thought that a love affair was the cause of the act.

Maurice Bernhardt, son of the actress. Saral Bernhardt, and Princess Virginic Ciotilde Jablo nowsky, are, grantidaughter of Lucien Bonsparte, were marrie, resterday.

Those most a noerned in the welfare of the little kingdom of Hawaii are favoring annexation to the United states, and the feeling in this respect is spreading among all classes.

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Patrick O'Brien, a wealthy contractor, was found by the police of Cinchenati last night lying upon the pavement in a tough locality almost frozen to death after a debauch. In his pockets was found \$14,000, Local thieves are kicking themselves.

The third day of the Interstate Cocking Main, at Columbia, S. C., resuited in four battles each for North and South Carolina. Seventeen battles were fought in the same day's main, of which North Carolina won nine and South Carolina eight.

eight.

Senator Sawyer, of Michigan, is in favor of a modified Postal Telegraph bill similar to the one laid before the committee three years ago, authorizing the Postmaster-General to advertise for proposals to de Government and other telegrapsing at a price not exceeding 30 cents for twenty words for 1,000 miles and under.

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A COLE DAY FOR HUSTED. His Chances for the Speakership Sinking

day, but things have not worked right, and bence the order of the convention at Read-

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'Meantime the strike, although only partial, has worked to 'stall' the road, and
miners are in enforced idleness on account of
it. Fully twenty thousand miners are idle
in the Lehigh and Schuylkill regions.

'Schuylkill and Scranton have been mining and furnishing more coal to us than all
three did a year ago, and the Lehigh strike
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"Of course, in case of a strike the poor people of this city would soon feel it, and their pailful of coal would be a luxury indeed. A general blockade of the Reading system would be the most effective strike imaginable so far as New York's coal supply is concerned, but it would hurt only the small consumers unless the strike continued two or three months." Among the Toilers.

Work is reported dull in the cigar and tobacco

The Truck-Drivers' Association will meet in Clarendon Hall next year.

The 'longshoremen generally are reported to be well pleased with the prospect of a great organiza-tion similar to that of the street-car men. The Progressive Painters' Union No. 1 has a membership of 8,000. John Jones, the walking delegate, reports that the number is constantly being increased.

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John Bogert has resigned the Secretaryship of
the Eagle Co-operative Publishing Association, and
Ernest Bonn, Secretary of the Central Labor
Union, is temporarily filling the place.

The twelve lodges of the United Order of American Carpenters and Joiners will elect officers before the close of the present year to serve for 1888.
There are 7,000 skilled workers in the Order.

Branch No. 17 of the United Order of American Carpenters and Joiners will give a literary enter-tainment and reception at Lyric Hall on the even-ing of Feb. 3. John Heller, C. E. Parker and D. G. Smith are the committee in charge of the affair. The Tobacco Trades' Section of the Central Labor Union last night decides to reject the amendment to the constitution of the central body which requires each new organization to pay an entra fee of \$5. Thus far five of the ten sections h

The fair of the Socialistic Labor party and the United German Trades Unions was formally opened last evening in Clarendon Hall and drew a large number of persons. The fair continues this and

The watters, bartenders and oystermen, at a mass-meeting in the Concordia Assembly Rooms, discussed last evening the difficulties their organizations have had with the Park and Ballroom Proprietors' Association. Some of the speakers were very forcible in their language and proposed severe measures. The Journeymen Barbers' Protective Union an-The Journmen harders Protective Union and mounces its second annual reception and ball to be held in Webster Hall on Sunday evening, Jan. 15, The Committee of Arrangements is composed of August Schneider, George Henry, Julius Gabler, Edward Finkelstone, P. J. Haybyrne, August Bing, Randolph Walker, Martin Krause, Louis Schramm and Albert Thierfelder.

Masonic Lodges Elect Officers. Doric Lodge, No. 2:0, F. A. M., has elected the following-named officers for the year 1888: Master, John Zorn: S. W., Edward T. Kassel: J. W. John C. Parrott; Treasurer, Max G. Raefle, M. D.; Secretary, W. Robt. Outram; Deacons, William F. Gross, Jacob Bogardus, jr.; M. C., S. H. Van Buskirk, G. Henry King; S. S. John H. Schinnagel; J. S., R. Anderson; Chaplain, W.

Seninager, J. S., Anderson, Chapian, W., Henry Z. Manuers; Marshal, W. Fred Kassel; Organist, George A. Russell; Tyler, F. W. A. Bauer; Trustees, Adam Schepp, R. W. Edw. F. Hassey and W. Samuel Eley. Oitman Lodge, No. 446, of Brooklyn, has chosen the following named officers: Master, Chas. L. Wag-ner; Senior Warden, Thomas R. Sheffield; Junior Warden, Philip Volkmar, Treasurer Henry Parch. ner; Senior Warden, Thomas R. Shemeld; Junior Warden, Philip Volkmar; Treasurer, Henry Rauch; Secretary, J. J. Wolf; Senior Deacon, Louis Blohm; Junior Deacon, Louis Keller; Tyler, Abram Ben-

He is a Mystery No Longer. James A. Nichols, aged forty-two years, the 'mysterious man with the flowing whiskers," was charged this morning in the Jefferson Market Poce Court with burglary on the home of John P. Groves, of 148 West Houston street, While Mr. Groves, or 145 West Houston street. While Mr. Groves and his family were out during Tuesday evening the "hish with the flowing whiskers" broke into the kitchen by the rear window and collected \$200 worth of jewelry which he pawned. A pair of bracelets he left in a saloon at Fourth avenue and Tenth street, and this act gave him away. He was arreated and after some persoasion confessed his guilt. This morning he was held for trait.

Alderman Cowie Gets a Badge. James A. Cowie, Alderman from the Thirteenth District, was presented with a handsome Alder-

manic badge by his neighbors and political friends.

to commemorate his fourth successive election as Alderman from the district. The badge was of solid gold, embellished with thirty-two diamonds. The Year to Go Out Pleasantly. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20. -

3 ty-four hours commenc-= ing at 8 P. M. to-day : For Connecticut, stightly for Connecticut, stightly tearmer, fair weather; northwesterly winds, becoming light to fresh and